IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:)	Date: March 16, 2004
Liu et al.)	Art Unit:
Serial No	.)	Examiner:
Filed: March 16, 2004)	
For: BLENDED POWDER SOLID-)	
SUPERSOLIDUS LIQUID)	
PHASE SINTERING)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § § 1.115 and 1.121, please amend the instant application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are presented on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks are presented on page 17 of this paper.